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For: Electric Motor Having Nanocrystalline
Alloy Component For Use In Surgical
Procedure

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING RCE

The present paper is submitted concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and the appropriate RCE fee, following the Non-Final Office Action of January 25, 2006. No other fees, including extension of time fees, are believed necessary for consideration of the present paper. However, if any other fees are necessary, including extension of time fees, the extension of time is hereby requested, and the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such fees, including those for the extension of time, to Haynes and Boone, LLP's Deposit Account No. 08-1394.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.